

REMARKS

This application is a U.S. National Stage filing of International Patent Application No. PCT/EP03/04546 filed on April 25, 2003.

Amendments to the Specification

Applicants herein amend the specification to include appropriate section headings and to insert a cross reference the earlier filed International Patent Application. Applicants also amended tables 2, 5, 6, 7A, 7B, 7C, 8, and 9b to include SEQ ID NOs as required under 37 CFR §1.821(d). Applicants submit that no new matter is added by this amendment.

Amendments to the Claims

Following the entry of the Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-12 remain in the application for consideration. Claim 13 is herein canceled without prejudice. Applicants herein amend claims 3, 4, 5 and 10 to remove multiple claim dependencies, add SEQ ID NOs, and to place the claims in better form for U.S. practice. No new matter is added herewith.

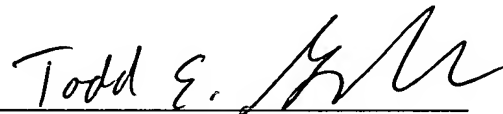
Please calculate the filing fee based on the above amended claims.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would aid in the continued prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below.

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